<u>REMARKS</u>

Drawings and Specification

Applicants gratefully acknowledge Examiner's attention to the details of the specification and drawings that are embodied in the objections to the drawings.

Applicants, through the specification amendments presented above and through the replacement drawing sheet presented herewith, have addressed all of the objections of Examiner made with reference to the specification and drawings. Applicants respectfully request the entry of all amendments and the replacement drawing and the withdrawal of all previously presented objections.

Claims

The informality noted with regard to claim 1 in the Office Action has been addressed by the above-presented amendment to that claim. Accordingly, Applicants requests the entry of this amendment and the withdrawal of the objection arising from the noted informality.

Double Patenting Rejections

Claims 1-9 were rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting over claims in U.S. Patent No. 6,219,095. In response, Applicants have submitted an appropriate terminal disclaimer. Therefore, claims 1-9 are in condition for allowance.

Conclusion

After entry of the above-presented amendments and acceptance of the enclosed terminal disclaimer, all pending claims are patentable over the references of record.

Reexamination and allowance of all pending claims are earnestly solicited.

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